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1. GENERAL: The majority of Soviet barracks in Thuringia are 90 percent occupied; [] the remaining 10 percent of troops were older men and instructors who have been returned to the USSR. Most troops on hand are aged 19-20, in some cases younger, and are undergoing basic training or just now advancing to drill, target and combat training. Armor and weapons, which were stored during November, have not been seen since.

2. ALTENBURG (K27), 5-7 December 1949

- 25X1 a. Infanterie Kaserne: 900 men, average age 18, wearing black epaulets/red piping. Vehicles - all new Studebakers [REDACTED]
- 25X1 b. Artillerie Kaserne: 1,000 young troops wearing black epaulets/red piping. [REDACTED]
- c. Airport Forst Leina: 500-600 men, some 80 of whom were seen drilling on the field. Twenty-four Dakotas were parked on the runway and one PO-2 was seen in a hangar. [REDACTED]

3. GERA (K06), 8-9 December 1949

- a. Infanterie Kaserne, on Maxim Gorkistrasse: 1,200 men, two-thirds wearing black epaulets/red piping, one-third with black epaulets. Some were taking rifles and machine pistol training.

- b. Panzerjägerkaserne; in Gera-Tinz: 600 men, with black epauletts, who may belong to the unit in the Infanterie Kaserne. On observation dates, 21 Studebakers were parked at the barracks; this column drove out to the autobahn towards DRESDEN at noon on 9 December.

Parked in the yard were trucks [redacted] A tank
truck parked before the barracks [redacted]

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4. GOTHA (J06), 13-14 December 1949

- a. Schöne Aussicht Kaserne: 600 men, all wearing red epaulets; approximately half of them are young EM, the others being officers and NCO's, some of whom boast war decorations and Guards insignia. There was little activity.

[redacted] its officer occupant and driver both wearing green epaulets/red piping.

- b. Flak Kaserne, on Schubertstrasse: 800 men wearing black epaulets/red piping. Troops with these epaulets and some others wearing red were training with four 76.2 mm AT guns 42.

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5. MEININGEN (H82), 15-16 December 1949

- Barbara Kaserne: 800 men of mixed ages, wearing red epaulets. Snow restricted activity.

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